

Chief, Security Research Staff

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1. On 20 March 1953, between 10:00 and 11:00 AM,  
and the writer discussed present trip to

2. [redacted] briefed [redacted] concerning  
the collection of botanical material and problems involved in this work.  
[redacted] explained where and how the material was obtained and dis-  
cussed the many problems involved in obtaining botanical materials in  
countries in which there are few botanical exports and the country it-  
self is not interested in developing and studying their natural resources.

3. [redacted] pointed out that he is quite familiar with [redacted] and stated [redacted]  
he felt research and exploration along botanical lines in this area [redacted]  
would be valuable. He thoroughly approved of the trip of [redacted]  
[redacted] and offered full co-operation of his Division in any future work [redacted]  
planned along these lines.

4. It is the opinion of the writer, based on [redacted]  
statements, that he would endorse botanical exploration carried out on [redacted]  
a large scale if properly guided by [redacted] and is of the opinion [redacted]  
that such work would be highly productive.

5. It is the intention of the writer in the near future to pro-  
pose an additional project for botanical research in [redacted]  
probably using post-graduate students in [redacted]  
botany and [redacted] support along these lines is regarded as im-  
portant. The writer feels definitely that [redacted] will support  
such a project without reservation on the basis of his own research,  
travel and knowledge.

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